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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **UM RADIO-TV DEPARTMENT REAPS REWARDS**

#### **MISSOULA —**

The University of Montana radio-television department will have to find more room in its trophy case after a series of awards this summer.

A student-produced documentary titled "Settling the Tab on Montana's Alcohol Culture" received the E.B. Craney Award for outstanding non-commercial television program of the year from the Montana Broadcaster's Association and Greater Montana Foundation on June 19.

It was only the fourth time a student documentary has earned the award. UM's Student Documentary Unit, led by Professor Bill Knowles, has been in production for 18 years.

Also on June 19, an episode of the department's "Business: Made in Montana" program earned a Student Emmy Award from the Seattle-based National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS)-Northwest Chapter. Three of UM's student-produced programs were nominated for the award.

Companies featured in "Business: Made in Montana" are Outaware of **Belgrade**, Northern Care Prosthetics of **Kalispell**, Blue Dog Furniture of **Missoula**, Semitool of **Kalispell**, Montana Boat of **Missoula** and Next FX Pyrotechnics of **Columbus**.

In addition, Andy Atkins-VanLieshout, a junior studying radio-television from **White**

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**Sulphur Springs**, earned a \$2,000 NATAS scholarship. Earlier this summer, Atkins-Van Lieshout also learned he will receive a \$2,000 Great Falls Broadcasters Association scholarship. His classmate Sarah Cowan, a senior from **Havre**, earned a \$1,000 scholarship from the Great Falls organization.

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